

**Amendment No. 1 to SB1651**

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-13-104, is amended by adding the following language under "Class I - Natural River Areas" so as to maintain the items in alphabetical order:

Caney Fork River -- That continuous segment of the Caney Fork River that lies between the upstream end and the downstream end of the Bridgestone/Firestone Centennial Wilderness Area.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-13-104, is further amended by adding the following language under "Class II - Pastoral River Areas" so as to maintain the items in alphabetical order:

Duck River -- That segment of the Duck River beginning at Iron Bridge Road at river mile 136.4 extending continuously to a point upstream to the boundary of Marshall County at river mile 173.7.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-13-108, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following subsection (b):

(1) For the establishment of boundaries on the two new scenic rivers created by this act, segments of the Duck River and the Caney Fork River, the commissioner shall engage in a new program of cooperative effort with landowners. As soon as practicable, the commissioner of environment and conservation shall engage in a program of outreach and education of the property owners in the area of these river segments and the local community to

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explain the program and the environmental and economic benefits it affords. The commissioner shall then, using sound discretion and considering all relevant circumstances, establish a perpetual boundary of the scenic river area associated with the river or river segment. If the proposed boundary of the scenic river area includes private property, the state shall obtain the notarized consent of the private landowner before establishing the boundary.

(2) No later than July 31, 2005, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs of the senate environment, conservation, and tourism committee and the house conservation and environment committee on this cooperative effort. The report shall include a description of the outreach and educational efforts of the department, a description of the areas for which landowner consent for scenic river boundaries was obtained, a description of the areas for which scenic river boundaries were established or are in the process of being established for the two rivers, and recommendations for or against expanding this program of cooperative effort to all scenic rivers and any suggested modifications. Until the statute is amended to the contrary, the department shall only establish boundaries on these two rivers based upon the consent of the owner of any affected private lands.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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